

Edgewater Glen Association

Newsletter

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Spring Plant Swap

Edgewater Glen's Spring Plant Swap will be held Saturday May 26, 2018 from 10:00 - 12:00pm in the back yard at 1420 W. Glenlake, weather permitting.

Spring is a great time to thin & share hostas, ferns, and any other plants or gardening paraphernalia that you'd like to find a home for.

Even if you don't have anything to share, come and meet your gardening neighbors. We usually have leftovers that need a home. For more info contact Kim Kaulas at kaulas@rcn.com or 773-368-3949.



Adopt-a-Parkway Corner Grant Program

EGA would like to continue our efforts to encourage extra beautification of our parkway corners by offering matching grants of up to \$100 of material expenses for pre-approved parkway corners. If you live near a parkway corner that could look better and are able to commit to long-term care and maintenance, we'd like to help you by reimbursing the first \$100 of expenses for materials for pre-approved locations. For pre-approval contact Kim Kaulas at kaulas@rcn.com or 773-368-3949.

Edgewater Yard Sale June 2nd

Edgewater Yard Sale Registration Form

The 24th Annual Edgewater Yard Sale is June 2, 2018 - Rain or Shine.

You must be registered and paid in advance to participate. Registration is \$10.00 per dwelling unit. If you live in a condo or apartment unit, the cost is \$10.00 per each household participating. To register use this form.

Write a check for \$10.00, payable to Edgewater Glen Association, and drop it off with your registration form in the mail slot of Steve Meiss at 1242 West Hood. Deadline for registration is Sunday, May 27th.

Questions? email: smeiss@ameritech or text: 773-502-6229

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

My sale will be in (check one) Yard Garage (Yard is best for visibility)

45th Annual EGA Garden Walk - 'Gardens of West Edgewater Glen' Sunday, July 8th 2018, Noon to 5:00pm

Put your garden in the 2018 Edgewater Glen Garden Walk - July 8th, 2018

I live on the 1400-1500 block of Norwood, Glenlake, Hood or Granville and wish to open my garden for the EGA Garden Walk

Name _____ Phone or Email _____

Address _____ Check if your garden is poison free

Front & back gardens Back garden only Front garden only

Special features of my garden are:

Please mail or drop this form to Kim Kaulas, Garden Walk Chairperson, 1353 W Norwood or email/call kaulas@rcn.com 773-368-3949. You can also submit your garden online at www.edgeglen.com/gw/

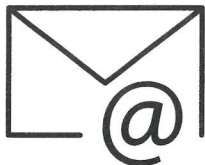
2018 Block Parties

As a courtesy to our hood, when block party dates are confirmed can you email egachicago@gmail.com to give us the date & block location of your parties?

We'll list it on www.edgeglen.com under the 'Events > Block Party' section. It could be a helpful resource for neighbors scheduling deliveries, parties, etc.

We also request that no Block Parties be scheduled on Saturday June 2 & Sunday July 8th, 2018. Our Garage Sale & Garden Walk functions are high-traffic events & we'd like to keep our streets open those days. Thanks!

EGA Email Sign-Up



Sign-up for timely emails about neighborhood events by going to www.edgeglen.com and selecting 'Get Email Updates' in the navigation bar.



"EGA Neighbors" Facebook Group

There is a new Facebook Group called "EGA Neighbors". This group is intended to be a space for neighbors to communicate about what is going on in and around our neighborhood and build positive connections between neighbors on all our blocks.

If you would like to join in the discussions over there, search for "EGA Neighbors" in Facebook's search bar, and then request to join the group.



Dedication of the Betty Barclay Community Room at the Edgewater Branch of the Chicago Public Library

Our long-time neighbor, Betty Barclay, was honored on Saturday, April 28th by a room full of neighbors and friends who came together to share their memories of Betty at the dedication of the new community room dedicated to her at the Edgewater Branch of the Chicago Public Library. It was a touching event and a great reminder of what a wonderful community we live in.

Betty was a lifelong volunteer in service to her Edgewater Glen Community. She was a founding member of the Edgewater Community Council (ECC), Edgewater Glen Association (EGA) and Friends of the Edgewater Library. She served in many capacities, including as a long-time member of the ECC Board of Directors and corporate secretary, co-chair of the EGA garden walks and coordinator of the Friends' book sales.

When Betty moved to Edgewater Glen in 1959, the library was a converted bus loaded with books that would pull up and park at the corner of Thorndale and Broadway. Seeing the need for something more, Betty led the campaign to have the first permanent library building built in the Edgewater neighborhood. After many years of effort, a new one was built at the corner of Elmdale and Broadway in the early 1970s.

In 1990 Betty became a charter member of Friends of the Edgewater Library and served as its long-time president. In that capacity, her accomplishments for the library and community were valuable and long-lasting. For example, she was responsible for the hiring of a children's librarian.

She was relentless in her support for the Edgewater Branch, meeting the district librarian on a regular basis, pressing for adequate staffing as well as other essentials. Betty saw the need for a carpet and sofa in the Children's area so youngsters could sit, read and play comfortably.

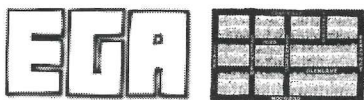
She raised the money for these amenities through annual book sales. Betty was the leader of these sales for many years, collecting books, setting them up for sale and publicizing the event to raise funds to purchase needed rugs, furniture, equipment, books and supplies.

She didn't drive or have a car so she walked all over the Edgewater neighborhood from her home on Hood Avenue, persuading merchants to post flyers about the annual book sale. She continued to lead the annual fundraiser when she was long past retirement age.

For years the Edgewater Branch Library led the city library system in circulation. This prompted Betty to once again lead a campaign for a new, larger and more functional Edgewater Branch. One of her last trips to the library was in 2013 when the new branch was dedicated. During that ceremony, Betty was singled out for honors by Alderman Harry Osterman who lauded her life-long efforts in support of the Edgewater Branch Library and community.

2017-2018 EGA Board Members

John Dale (President)
Marjorie Fritz-Birch (Vice President)
Lynn Newton (Treasurer)
Scott Macdonald (Secretary)
Holly Anderson Burns
Amanda Barlow
Steve Bishop
Frank Geilen
Peter Greco
Kim Kaulas
Ginger Williams



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Join the Edgewater Glen Association

Edgewater Glen Association 2018 Membership

Yes, I want to join or renew my membership!

Dues are \$10.00 per year for individuals and families. For businesses and institutions, dues are \$25.00.

Checks can be made out and mailed to:

Edgewater Glen Association
1531 W Hood
Chicago, IL 60660

You can also renew at www.edgeglen.com

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

EGA Board of Directors Application - Edgewater Glen Garden Walk election on July 8, 2018

Are you interested in being more involved with your neighborhood?

The EGA is seeking engaged residents to join the 11 member EGA Board for the 2018-2019 year. The time commitment is minimal, with the Board typically meeting the first Monday of every month. If you would like to collaboratively work with your neighbors to help improve our neighborhood we encourage you to apply.

To be eligible to run you must be an Edgewater Glen Resident and paid EGA member in good standing at least 30 days prior to the Edgewater Glen Garden Walk election.

To run for the Board please mail or drop off this form to **1353 Norwood**. You may also fill out the online form on the homepage of the EGA website or email egachicago@gmail.com with your name, address and briefly tell us about yourself. Nomination submissions are due **June 15, 2018**

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Comments:

